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SENATE RESOLUTION 1

**55TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SPECIAL SESSION, 2021**

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A RESOLUTION

AMENDING THE SENATE RULES REGARDING CALLS OF THE SENATE AND  
CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019 PROTOCOLS.

WHEREAS, Senate Rule 24-1 provides that the rules of the  
senate may be amended by a two-thirds' vote of all the members  
of the senate or by a majority vote of the members of the  
senate upon the recommendation of the senate rules committee;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE  
OF NEW MEXICO that a new Senate Rule 7-4-2 be adopted to read:

"7-4-2 A call of the senate shall not be ordered on:

(a) a bill making an appropriation for the  
expense of any regular, special or extraordinary  
session of the legislature;

(b) adoption of committee reports; or

(c) a bill that districts or redistricts an

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1 elected office, introduced during a special or  
2 extraordinary session called in the calendar year in  
3 which the state received the results of a federal  
4 decennial census."; and

5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Senate Rule 7-1-3, adopted for  
6 any sessions of the fifty-fifth legislature held in 2021, be  
7 amended to read:

8 "7-1-3 A senator who has tested positive for coronavirus  
9 disease 2019 within ten days before or during a  
10 session or who has actual knowledge of a person who  
11 has tested positive for coronavirus disease 2019  
12 with whom the senator has been in close contact, as  
13 defined by the New Mexico department of health,  
14 during that time shall inform the senator's  
15 respective floor leader or whip. For floor  
16 sessions, [the] a senator who has been in close  
17 contact with an individual who has tested positive  
18 for coronavirus disease 2019 in the past fourteen  
19 days, and who has been fully vaccinated against  
20 coronavirus disease 2019, may continue to remain  
21 physically present in the state capitol upon  
22 producing a negative test for coronavirus disease  
23 2019. A senator who has come into close contact  
24 with an individual who has tested positive for  
25 coronavirus disease 2019 in the past fourteen days,

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and who has not been fully vaccinated, shall either  
be excused or shall self-isolate outside the capitol  
in the city of Santa Fe and participate by  
simultaneous, remote electronic means and be  
visually present or, if participating by telephone,  
confirm the senator's presence by voice. A senator  
who is self-isolating shall continue in self-  
isolation until advised by a medical professional  
that self-isolation is no longer necessary."